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	1.	in late August 1946, several hundred mechanics were called up by the Russians in Kreis Teltow for three weeks' compulsory labor at Frankfurt—on—Oder. Attempts by employers to have their workers exempted are reported to have been ensuccessful. Informant reports a wide-spread rumor that great numbers of men are due to be sent to the Oder soon for channel—control work. The Landrat of Teltow told informant that he had had no official news concerning this rumor. (Comment: For further information, see Report 100. Paragraph 30) According to paragraph 30) According to paragraph 30 According to paragraph 30 The Labor Offices of the Province of Brandenburg are summoning more persons for the so-called channel—control work on the Oder. It is estimated that five percent of the male workers in Kreis Teltow and Potsdam have been called up so far. The orders originate with the local Russian commenders. The work period is two to eight menths and only these workers who are needed for work on Russian orders						
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